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Salish Crossing L.L.C. Purchases Downtown Edmonds Antique Mall Property

(Edmonds - WA) Mayor Dave Earling announced today that the Antique Mall Property, located at 190 Dayton Street in downtown Edmonds, has been sold to Salish Crossing L.L.C., an Echelbarger Fund Management company. "This is a momentous purchase to a company with strong family ties to the Edmonds Community. I look forward to new ownership taking the responsibility of transforming the site and enhancing our community," stated Mayor Earling.

Salish Crossing L.L.C. is beginning immediate improvements to reposition the shopping center. Lindsey Echelbarger stated that initial upgrades to the property include comprehensive repair and painting of the exterior, significant electrical work, new landscaping and new signage. According to Lindsey, he was "pleasantly surprised to discover the structure is in much better shape than its exterior suggested" and he views it as "a real diamond in the rough." The project has been named "Salish Crossing" in deference to the site's location and to better differentiate the remodeled center from its previous phase. Salish Crossing will also serve as a new home of the 1909 Edmonds High School portico entrance which was removed in 2005 during renovation of Edmonds Center for the Arts and preserved by Lindsey and Carolyn Echelbarger. Nick Echelbarger, managing partner, stated that "our center is a key gateway for Edmonds. If you are traveling on the ferry, Salish Crossing is either the first or the last thing you see in Edmonds. We are working deliberately with a top-notch team to ensure the shopping center is something all will be proud of."

Project architects are Steven Johnson and Jeff Oaklief from Johnson Architecture and Planning L.L.C. Any inquiries for available space should be directed to Tiffini Connell, a broker with West Coast Commercial Realty: 206-283-5212.